GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Social Welfare Department – Appeal Petition from M.N. Surekha, D/o Venkata Krishnaiah, Mettu (V), Nellore District. – filed Under Section 7 of Act 16/93 against the proceedings of the Collector, Nellore District – Appeal rejected – Orders - Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (C.V-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.36 Dated: 20-03-2009. Read the following:

1. From the Collector, Nellore, Lr. No. C5 (M) 1680/2007, dated: 16-03-2008.

- 2. Appeal Petition from Kum. M.N. Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah, R/o Mettu (V), Chittamuru (M), Nellore District, dated: 21-05-09
- 3. Govt. Memo.No.4683/CV.1/2008, dated. 23.06.2008.
- 4. From the Collector, Nellore, Lr. No. C5 (M) 1680/2007, dated: 25.7.2008.
- 5. Memo. No. 4683/CV.1/2008, Dated: 20-01-2009.

ORDER:

- 1. The District Collector, in the 1st read above has cancelled Kum. M.N. Surekha, S/o.Venkata Krishnaiah's Scheduled Castes Budaga Jangam Certificate and declared the appellant belongs to Jangam BC Community.
- 2. Aggrieved by the Proceedings, the individual has filed an appeal / Review petition before the Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare, Government of Andhra Pradesh, against the proceedings of the Dist. Collector, Nellore vide his Proc.in Rc. (C5)M/1680/07, dated:16-03-2007 in confirming the order of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Kavali, Nellore Dist. in his letter No. Rc. B2.3193/2007, dated: 30-08-07, which was received by the appellant on 12-05-2008 was illegal, contrary to law, arbitrary and violative of principle of natural justice for the following reasons and grounds of the case.
 - i. Kum. Manganellore Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah R/o.Mettu (V) Nellore District belongs to Beda (Budaga) Jangam Community.
 - ii. The appellant father Sri. M.N. Venkata Krishnaiah doing our Traditional occupations i.e. ringing bell and blowing Shanku in front of the Corpse of our village and surrounding village to all the castes including Mala, Madiga, Yanadi, Yerukula since his forefathers while taking the dead body to burial ground.
 - iii. All fore fathers are staying in the village and they are not untouchables to other caste people along with Mala, Madiga, Yanadi and Yerukula caste peoples, we are doing Sava Karmas to all the village people also.
 - iv. From 1977 to 1997 it was not decided which sub-castes we belongs Jangam, Beda (Budaga) Jangam and Mala Jangam by the Government. As per our traditional occupations and customs it was decided that we belongs Beda (Budaga) Jangam prior to 15-12-1997 we use to mention in our academic records as Jangam as it was not confirmed by the High Court.

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- v. Most of the Mandal Revenue Officers of the Mandal to misguide the Sub-Collector by saying that there are no Beda (Budaga) Jangam People in the entire Division of Guntur.
- vi The then numerous Collectors of Nellore District by enquiring to each and every applicant had given caste certificates to the Beda (Budaga) Jangam Community people. In one of the occasion a Photograph is enclosed while ringing bell and blowing Shanku in front of Mala Community person by name late Sri. Vakati Jeeviah who dies in our village and the same was produced to the Sub-Collector of Gudur at t e time of open enquiry in our village.
- vii. The then Collector of Nellore might not given the caste certificates to our Beda (Budaga) Jangam people after 2002 year. Their Caste people are in entire State of A.P., Maharastra, and Karnataka States as per the Act 108 of 1976.
- viii. The Joint Collector not permitted to talk even with appellant relatives who came for her assistance at the time of meeting.
- ix. Further it is submitted that Beda (Budaga) Jangam & Mala Jangam are Sub-Castes of Jangam Community, which are included in the list of Scheduled Castes.
- x. Further the appellant submitted that the traditional occupations, Habits, and Customs Beda (Budaga) Janga are to perform funeral rites in the houses of Sudras, Girijans, BCs, Mala, Madigas and other SCs, telling stories and recites legends i.e. Burrakathalu and are Vibbudhidheies and segregated from Higher castes Hindus. Jangams are purely vegetarians like Brahmins and Vysyas. They will not perform funeral rites as Beda (Budaga) Jangams in the village. They use Sankhu and Ganta at the time of Siva Pooja only.
- xi. Finally she requested to quash the Proceedings of the Collector, Nellore and pass such orders in the circumstances of the case and also requested to save the academic career of her B.Tech., Education.
- 3. Government has stayed the proceedings of the District Collector, in the 3rd read above and requested to furnish parawise remarks and original connected records. The District Collector, Nellore in his letter in the reference 4th read above has submitted his remarks on the grounds filed by Kum. Manganellore Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah which as follows:
 - a) The District Collector & District Magistrate reported that aggrieved by the report of the Mandal Revenue Officer, Chittamur, the above petitioners have again represented to the Sub-collector, Gudur, stating that Mandal Revenue Officer had not properly verified the status of their caste and requested to re-examine into the matter. The Sub- Collector again referred the matter to the MRO for re-verification of the caste of the appellants. The Mandal Revenue Officer, Chittamur has reported that on the basis of the Budaga Jangam Caste Certificates issued by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Nellore to the relatives of the petitioner and recommended for issue

- of Budaga Jangam (SC) caste certificate to the petitioner. During the enquiry, the petitioner Sri. M. Venkata Krishnaiah has stated that the Budaga Jangam (SC) certificate is necessary for want of appearing EAMCET examinations of his daughter Kum M. N. Surekha. The Sub-Collector has reported that based on the report of Mandal Revenue Officer, Chittamur and the statements of the villagers, the Budaga Jangam (SC) caste certificate is not issued in favour of Kum.M. N Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishanaiah.
- b) The Collector has further reported that many people in the divisions have filed representations for issue of Budaga Jangam Caste Certificates and that the Tahsildars of his divisions have reported that there are no Budaga Jangam caste people in their Mandal, but Jangams are utilizing the similarity in the names of Jangam and Budaga Jangam and trying to obtain Budaga Jangam caste certificates. A meeting was conducted to all Tahsildars in their division to discuss this issue and have stated that there are no Budaga Jangams in Nellore Dist. and they are found in Telangana Region and very few people have migrated to this Region and that moreover the people of Jamgam caste were never lived in the areas belonging to Harijanas, these Jangams do not dine in Harijan houses but certain people have intentionally obtained false caste certificates and they were enjoying reservation facilities.
- c) The Certificates issued to Kum. Manganellore Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah has been re-examined, and in the subsequent enquiry it was found that the above individual belongs to backwards class caste, but not to Budaga Jangam (SC) Caste that due to the similarity in the name of Jangama and Budaga Jagama filing of wrong evidences and documents as documents as proof and misleads the Administration obtained Budaga Jangama Caste Certificates to SC benefits.
- d) The Collector, Nellore has reported that Sri M. Venkata Krishnaiah may not be aware of Budaga Jangam Caste, but his ancestors would have known their caste and they are never claimed that they belong to Budaga Jangam. The petitioner has hidden the facts submitted false and misleads the Administration and obtains Budaga Jangam Caste to his daughter Kum. M.N. Surekha. Finally the Sub-Collector, Guduru requested the Dist.Collector to cancel the Budaga Jangama (SC) Caste certificate issued to the above said M.N. Sureka.
- e) In the instant case, the Collector, Nellore has ordered to enquire into matter by the District Level Scrutiny Committee U/s. 9(1) of Act 16/1997 for further verification. Form VI notices were issued to the petitioner to attend the before the District Level Scrutiny Committee to hearing their version before taking a decision on the social status of the said individual.

- f) The Collector, Nellore District has also reported the District Level Scrutiny Committee has observed all the documentary evidences and oral evidences of the petitioner and other material available on record and conclude that Kum.M. Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah belongs to Jangam (BC) community but does not belong to Budaga Jangam (SC) with that effect as per the Act 16/1993. Based on the Revenue Officer/Revenue reports Mandal Divisional Officer/District Level Scrutiny Committee report and as per the Gazette No. 73, dated: 18.12.2002, Act 61/2002 the SC Beda Jangam Certificates cancelled vide proc. No.Rc.C5 (M) 1680/07, dt. 16.3.2008, issued by the Sub-Collector, Gudur in favour of Kum M.N. Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah of Mettu Village, Chittamur (M) is self explanatory and deserves no consideration.
- 4. The case has been taken up for personal hearing on 08-09-2008, 20-12-2008 and 12-02-09 the appellant was absent before the Appellate Authority for hearing hence, it is deemed to be no evidences in support of her claim.
- 5. In the above circumstances and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 7(2) of A.P. (SC, ST and B.C. Regulation of issue of Community Certificates) Act 16 of 1993 and rules made under as per G.O.Ms.No. 58, SW (J) Department, dated: 12-05-1997, the appeal petition filed by Kum. Manganellore Surekha, D/o. Venkata Krishnaiah belongs to Jangama (BC-A) Community in Nellore District is hereby rejected, duly upholding the Proceedings of the District Collector, Nellore District, D.Pari C5 (M)/1680/07, Dated: 16-03-2008.
- 6. The records (containing NF: 1-99 pages only) received from the District Collector, Nellore District, through reference 4th read above, are returned herewith in original to him and he is requested to acknowledged receipt of the sane, immediately.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNER OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V. NAGI REDDY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The District Collector,
Nellore District. (With original records)
Kum M.N. Surekha,
D/o Venkata Krishnaiah,
Mettu (V), Chittamur (M),
Nellore District.
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